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# SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE.

C.I.D. HEADQUARTERS.

POLITICAL BRANCH.

To *Shanghai, 19.3.29*  
*Foreign Section,*

*Please show this  
 file to Capt. Shelly.  
 Twenty cents seems to be  
 a very low price for  
 a scythe.*

*File shown to Capt Shelly  
 March 20, 1929.  
 H.R. 20.3.29*

## SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE.

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DEPARTMENT

File No. ....

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	For opinion
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SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE  
C. I. D. REGISTRY  
No. L. O. D. 91.....  
Date..... 21. 3. 29

March 18, 29.

R. C. Howlett, Esq.,

China Merchants' S. N. Co.'s Wharves,  
302 Broadway, East.  
SHANGHAI.

Dear Mr. Howlett,

With reference to your visit to this office a short time ago, I forward herewith copy of a Police Report for your information and return herewith the correspondence which you so kindly allowed us to see. I am greatly obliged to you for bringing this matter to the attention of the Police.

Yours faithfully,

W. L. M. Barnett.

Commissioner of Police.

C. I. D. Reg.  
File please  
W. L. M.  
20:3:29

SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE.

REPORT

CENTRAL I. B. Section

Date March 15, 1929.

Subject (in full) Interview with W. J. Tshedanoff.

Made by D.S. Ovsiannikoff.

Forwarded by

John Robertson, C.D. 1

At 9.30 a.m. March 14 I interviewed Mr. W. J. Tshedanoff in the office of the Rickmers Line, 6 The Bund, where he informed me that several days ago he was approached by a Russian named Koulchitsky, residing at 381 Avenue Joffre, who requested his assistance in buying for a certain firm a quantity of Scythes stored in the China Merchants Steam Navigation Company's godown.

These scythes, according to Tshedanoff, were imported in 1920 by the Rickmers' Line from Germany to be sent to Siberia via Shanghai, but owing to Civil War in Siberia they were temporarily stored in the godowns of the China Merchants' Steams Navigation Company and later the Rickmers Line refused to take delivery of them. Mr. Tshedanoff further stated that he does not know on whose behalf Koulchitsky was acting as the latter did not tell him the particulars of the transaction.

At 9.15 a.m. March 15 I communicated with Mr. Koulchitsky, who informed me that he had now offered the scythes for sale to Mr. M.A. Laurrie, Commercial Agent of the local Branch of the Chinese Eastern Railway who in turn offered them to a certain local Soviet commercial enterprise and the matter is now under consideration. It is said that in the event of the scythes being purchased by Soviet interests they will be forwarded to U.S.S.R. The purchase price asked is 20c per scythe and so far no decision has been reached as to their disposal.

V. Ovsiannikoff  
D. S.

W.R. 3/16/29  
D.S.I.

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C O P Y

February 27, 1929.

W. J. Tschedanoff, Esq.,  
842 Avenue Joffre,

Dear Sir,

I have to own receipt of your letter of the 24th inst., and in reply would advise you that the matter shall be given consideration and I will address you again shortly.

Yours faithfully,

C O P Y

February 24, 1929.

The Assistant Wharf Manager,  
of C.M.S.N.Co's Lower, Central, Eastern and  
Yang-Kah-Du Wharves.

Dear Sir,

Herewith I beg to inform you that I am not in possession of any documents regarding the cargo in question stated in my letter of 19th inst., and yours of yesterday's date.

I have a buyer for the whole lot and would be much obliged if you kindly let me know the quantity of the scythes the price and stipulate the time when I may see the cases, suppose you intend to sell the cargo.

Thanking you in anticipation, I am, Dear Sir,

Yours faithfully,

(Sd) W.J.Tschedanoff.

C O P Y

THE CHINA MERCHANTS STEAM NAVIGATION CO'S.

February 23, 1920.

W. J. Tschedanoff, Esq.,

842 Avenue Joffre.

Dear Sir,

I am in receipt of your letter of the 19th inst., received yesterday, and would thank you to let me know what documents you hold and in what position you stand regarding this matter.

Yours faithfully,

C O P Y

February 19, 1929.

The China Merchants Eastern Wharf,  
Local.

Dear Sir,

1½ years ago at your wharf were stored many cases of German scythes. The owner has refused to take delivery.

Please let me know whether you keep the above cargo at your wharf or sold it.

I am, Dear Sir,

Yours faithfully,

(Sd) W.J. Tshedanoff



Memorandum.

POLICE FORCE,  
MUNICIPAL COUNCIL.

Shanghai, 12. 3. 1929.

To

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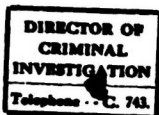
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104 Foreign Section,  
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C.I.D. HEADQUARTERS  
ADMINISTRATION BUILDING.

12. 3. 1929.

A. I think we  
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personally otherwise  
we cannot get to  
the bottom of it.

Do you approve  
please? It is likely  
that the person who  
told you would  
object?

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Foreign Section,

For inquiry and report on the  
business, standing, antecedents, etc.

of W. J. Tchedanoff, 84 Avenue J.  
I think you will find a reference to the  
synthes in an old C. I. D. file. J. M. H.

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Memorandum.

POLICE FORCE,  
MUNICIPAL COUNCIL.

Shanghai,..... 192

To

60,000 Sykes

Dutch Steamer. 1920.

SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE.

SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE

C. I. D. REGISTRY

No. 1,000,911

Date.....

Date March 11th 1929

REPORT

Subject (in full) W.J. Tschedenoff.

Made by D. S. Orsiamidoff Forwarded by

J. H. Evans A.C. Vol

Sir,

With reference to the file, inquiry as to  
that Mr. W.J. Tschedenoff, Russian, 50 years  
of age, married to German lady residing at 212 Avenue Joffre.

Mr. and Mrs. W.J. Tschedenoff arrived in Shanghai from  
Russia eight years ago and soon after Mr. W.J. Tschedenoff  
obtained employment in the Machinery and Cycle Department of  
the Carlisle Company, Hsienan Road. Mr. W.J. Tschedenoff  
was unemployed for sometime and a few years ago joined the local  
shipping office of the Rickmers Line, 3 The Bund, as book-keeper.

It appears that Mr. W.J. Tschedenoff is friendly with  
Mr. Karl Oldorp, Manager of the local office of the Rickmers  
Line, who is also a representative of several important metal  
foundries and factories in Germany and who is the sole supplier  
of various metals for the Chinese Eastern Railway.

In view of the fact that Mr. W.J. Tschedenoff <sup>who</sup> has no money,  
is merely an employee and is not in a position to buy such a  
large quantity of scythes, it is presumed that he was instructed  
by Mr. Karl Oldorp to approach the China Merchants Steam  
Navigation Company with the offer on behalf of the German  
Metal factories.

There is nothing in Police records concerning him.

V. Orsiamidoff

D. S.

A.P.H. I.

11/3/29

It is probable that the parties, on whose  
behalf Tschedenoff is acting, intend to sell the  
scythes for farm use. I, therefore, suggest  
that Tschedenoff be asked to give an explanation  
of the purpose for which they are required.